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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE :
DECISION TO APPROVE A
REVISION TO A LARGE MINING :
DECISION TO APPROVE
AND RECLAMATION PLAN FOR
ASH GROVE CEMENT COMPANT'S LEAMINGTON PLANT,
JUAB, COUNTY, UTAH :

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PROTUCTION MINERAL TO ALL OPERATOR WILEYERS AND PARTICULARITY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 32, 33 AND 34, TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, AND SCHOOL OF TOWNSHIP 15 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, SIBM, JUAB COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve a revision to a Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Ash Grove Cement Company's Leamington Plant. Mining activities will affect the following area: all or part of Sections 32, 33, and 34, Township 14 South, Range West and part of Sections 3, 4 and 5, Township 15 South, Range 3 West, Juab County, Utah.

Ash Grove Cement has submitted a permit revision to expand their existing large mining project, currently permitted at 273 acres. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 669 acres of private land.

The person representing the company is Mr. Duane Crutchfield; Phone (435) 857-1212. Ash Grove Cement is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Rec-lamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 841 14-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

During Operations:
Mining operations include drilling, blasting, loading broken rock, transportation of rock, crushing rock, and rock storage. Limestone, after being pulverized, is blended with other raw materials to produce kiln feed for the manufacture of Portland cement. All mining operations are conducted using conventional mining equipment, including drills, 100 fon houl trucks, dozers, grader, track-hoe, fogders, feeder breakers, belt conveyors and a stacker/reclaimer. The total resource recovery for the life of mine is estimated to be approximately 75 million life of mine is estimated to be approximately 75 million too. The quary life is estimated at 62 years. Approximately 1,200,000 tons of limestone are scheduled to be recovered each year. About 1.1 million tons of waste shale will be disposed of both in a waste pile and waste shale will be disposed of both in a waste pile and in the mined out quarry. The proposed quarrying operation will disturbe approximately 118 acres for resonable, and will be disturbed for the construction of roads, ponds, and mining facilities. A total of 669 acres are included in the proposed Limit. Soils will only be salvaged from areas where it is practical and can be done in a safe manner due to the steep topography.

After Operations:

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All roads except for the loop that extends north from All roads except for the railroad (the north road - 1.2 acres) and a road that extends south from Highway 132 to the railroad (the north road - 1.2 acres) and a road that extends south from Highway 132 to the quarry (the South road - 4 acres) will be removed, ripped and reclaimed. During the process of mining, a heavy chain will be dragged across the highwall face to remove any loose debris. A three foot high wall face to remove any loose debris. Once the highwall over the highwall to catch any debris. Once the highwall over the highwall for the highwall or the highwall for the highwall of the highwall for the highwall or the highwall of the highwall for the highwall or the highwall for the highwall or the highwall of the highwall of the highwall has been stabilized it will be constructed at a stable slope of 30 degrees.

The proposed waste rock stockpile will be constructed at a stable slope of 30 degrees.

With an approved seed mix. All features such as buildings, roads (except for the two discussed above), pads, or other structures will be removed and the areas reclaimed during the final reclamation process. Disturbed claims are the highwalls, will be graded, stabilized and have topsoil replaced at a 6 depth, and amended with 5 ton per acre of composted manure. All areas not receiving 6 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 6 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 6 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 6 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil will have suitable eas not receiving 10 inches of topsoil

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/s/ Lowell P. Braxton Director

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